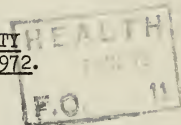


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Section 1 - Staff Table A - No Change

Section 11 - Table B - Amount of shipping entering the district during the year:-

<u>Ships from</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Tonnage</u>	<u>Insp. by M.O.H.</u>	<u>Insp. by Port H.I.</u>	<u>Ships having Diseases on board</u>
Foreign ports	831	174510	Nil	7	Nil
Coastwise	1256	124344	Nil	50	Nil
Total:	2087	298854	Nil	57	Nil

Note: These figures do not include local fishing boats and yachts.

Section I11 Table C

Character of shipping and trade
during the year

Passenger traffic: Nil

Cargo traffic: Principal imports: Clay, timber, petrol, corn, coal, potatoes, fertilizer.

Principal exports: Scrap iron, flour, gravel and sand.

Principal ports from which ships arrive : London, Goole, Ymouden (Holland), Fur, Ejerslev (Denmark).

Section IV - Inland Barge Traffic

There is no fresh water barge traffic.

Section V - Water Supply - No change.

Section VI - Public Health (Ships) Regulations, 1970 - No change.

Section VII - Smallpox - No change

Section VIII - Venereal Diseases - No change.

Section IX Table D

Cases of notifiable and other
infectious diseases on ships.

No cases of infectious diseases occurred among crews. As noted under Table C there is no passenger traffic. The answers are therefore 'Nil' throughout.

Sections X and XI


Malaria and Plague

The Port is not used by any ships visiting tropical areas.

Section XII

Measures against rodents in ships
from foreign ports.

- (1) Examination for evidence of rat infestation is carried out in all vessels inspected.
- (2) Bacteriological or pathological examination of rodents would be carried out at the Public Health Laboratory, Borough General Hospital, Ipswich.
- (3) Disinfestation is by means of poison baits, but in cases of heavy infestation where hydrogen cyanide would be more appropriate and effective, the vessel would be sent to either the Port Authorities at Harwich or London.
- (4) Some vessels built many years ago show need of rat proofing.



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Table E Rodents destroyed during the year in ships from foreign ports.

<u>Category</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Exd.</u>	<u>Plague found</u>
Black, brown	Nil	Nil	Nil
Unknown species	Nil	Nil	Nil

Table F This Port Health Authority is not authorized to issue Deratting Exemption Certificates.

Rodent Control Certificates under the Prevention of Damage by Pests (Application to Shipping) Order, 1951 are issued.

Section XIII

Inspection of ships for nuisances

Table G Inspections and Notices.

<u>Nature & No. of Inspections.</u>	<u>Notices served</u>		<u>Result of serving Notice.</u>
	<u>Statutory</u>	<u>Other</u>	
General (Sanitation infestation and cleanliness) 57	Nil	1	Cleansing and repairs carried out.

Section XIV -Public Health (Shell-fish) Regulations, 1934 and 1948, - No change.

Section XV -Medical Inspection of Aliens,- No change

Section XVI -Miscellaneous- No change.

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